





## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NEWS.

Our files of Adelaide papers are to the 11th instant. It appears that careful inquiries and observations have confirmed in some respects the recent statements with regard to the improvements which has taken place in the yield of precious metal in that locality. It cannot be doubted that the old hands are very well satisfied with the result of their exertions, whilst the "new chums" speak very hopefully of their prospects, most of them admitting that they are earning average wages. Some of them, it is true, complain of ill success, and at the same time refer to chaps who have done exceedingly well. One man stating that he had known a yield of 14 ounces to the head. This amount, however, is improbable; the average quantity probably being about five ounces to the head, and where the parties are successful. Of course there are many who pitch upon bad places, and never see a speck. On the whole, the general opinion appears to be that there is a slight improvement. There are at present about 200 persons on the diggings, 159 licenses having been issued this month. The peace of the community has been somewhat disturbed of late by the perpetration of several robberies. The police have made a decided effort in these classes: the first "doing a handsome stroke"; the second, "making good wages"; the third, "paying expenses"; and the fourth "unsuccessful". The two first, I believe to predominate. Instances of rather remarkable success are frequently coming to light. In one case not previously mentioned, a party carried and washed two loads of their top stuff, and obtained 10 ounces of gold from them; their best stuff, the bottom scrap ngs, &c., they carried to their tent, and this yielded an ounce to the bucket; the bucket washed as much as two ounces. In the above case, the weight of 212 pounds was shown, among many other persons, to G. Hamilton, Esq., Senior Inspector of Police, who visited the diggings. Another nugget has also been exhibited weighing about one ounce. The crowning case, however, remains to be told. It is currently reported that one party has obtained 10 lbs. weight from one hole.

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## CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

MONDAY.

Before the Police Magistrate and Mr. R. S. Ross. There were ten drum-larks on the list to-day, of whom were old offenders, and had been repeatedly convicted and punished. Two of them were sentenced to a month's imprisonment, and Sarah Perkins to six months' imprisonment, and another to three months' imprisonment. Two were forfeited the deposit of 40s. each, and the remainder were ordered to pay a penalty of 20s. each, or be imprisoned for 24 hours. On the rogues' and vagabond list, there were two notorious characters both of whom had been repeatedly convicted of vagrancy. Their names are Elizabeth McCloud and Ann Kendall. The former for being drunk and a common prostitute, was fined in the penalty of £5, and in default was sent to gaol for three months; the other for a like offence was sent to gaol for one month.

On the summons list there were twenty-six cases, twelve of which were remanded, and were either dismissed or otherwise arranged. On the general list there was the usual number of cases, the most of which however, like the summons cases, were either dismissed or remanded, after occupying two Courts nearly the whole day.

John Elliot for being drunk and disorderly, was fined 20s., in default to be imprisoned for forty-eight hours.

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Robert Ball was convicted of using obscene language in the public streets, and was fined 20s., in default to be imprisoned for seven days.

Mary Ann Pinkerton was charged with stealing a pincushion, the property of James Winterbottom. The property was found on her person, and she was dealt with summarily, being sent to gaol for one month.

Stephen Burke was charged with assaulting constable Haydon in the course of his duty.

Mr. BOLTON'S WEEKLY CONCERT takes place this evening at the School of Arts. It is well worthy of a visit from the lovers of good singing, and the glee singing, according to the sample given this day week, is admirable and highly attractive. Mr. Wilkinson, whose fame as a good vocalist is established, is mentioned amongst the singers. The charge is very moderate.

MUSIC IN THE CONCERT.—All Ben-Son-Alle has been making a musical tour through the southern districts. He gave two concerts at Goulburn during the last fortnight with marked success. Then he proceeded to Yass, and was expected to give a concert in Windsor on the 25th instant. His range of instruments, which he terms turphonique (but which, in truth, are the saxophones of the celebrated house of Sax, Adolph, and Co., of Paris), seem to have produced an extremely favourable impression on our country friends. We hope it will be for the miserable state of the roads, the cordial welcome given to musical talent would much more frequently attract *artistes* of ability to their flocks.

THE THEATRES.—Crowded audiences continue to reward the exertions of the managements both of the Royal Victoria and the Lyceum Theatres. At the former Mr. Coppell has concluded his present engagement, and it is announced that he will shortly return for a second engagement, accompanied by Mr. G. V. Brooke.

At the Lyceum, Mrs. T. H. C. Bradbury brings with her the *prima donna* of high class London reputation, is playing a round of leading characters in the same school of English comedy, and has been most charmingly received.

This lady acquired much celebrity in London a few years ago by giving lectures in opposition to the manner which threatened to rule when Mrs. Bloomer made such exertions to inculcate a taste for an anti-feminist costume. Mr. Wyat's splendid

theatre is rapidly advancing to completion.

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED to carry out the arrangements of the approaching Anniversary Regatta met last evening, at the Exchange Hotel, for the purpose of receiving applications for the various races; but a complete list of the entries has not yet been furnished, as many of the matches have been left open for further entrances. Mr. G. Thornton has kindly placed the schooner Fawn at the disposal of the Committee, as a flagship, and none but the members of the Committee will be allowed on board—an excellent regulation, which prevents the public funds subscribed for this occasion being expended for refreshments, and other incidental expenses usually attached to such matches.

POST STEPHENS.—Extract of a letter dated St. Albans 17th.—"The late rains have rejoiced the hearts both of man and beast, and the dusky brows of the country has given place to a most cheerful green."

FAKE ALARM.—An alarm was made yesterday at both the Fire Company's stations, by a man, that a house in Bourke-street, Surry Hills, was on fire. Both engines, the Victoria Volunteers and the Insurance Company's, were promptly on the spot, when it was found that the alarm was false, a foul chimney however, to leave marks. As the defendant had no witness to make out his case, and to show that the boy in question was actually throwing stones, the Bench directed him to pay a fine of 20s., with the usual costs.

A. H. COOPER, in a suit against Robert Harrison, was dismissed, on the ground of insufficient proof that the child was his, although, it is likely to be brought on again. Mr. Rodman for the defence.

Francis Landrigan was charged, before Mr. Ross, with a breach of the Vagrancy Act, in having committed an act of indecency with a female, in the view of passengers, on the Parramatta road, between Concord and Longbottom. Of course the evidence—the hearing of which occupied nearly three hours—is wholly unfit for the court. The boy found the prisoner guilty, and sentenced him to three months' imprisonment with hard labour. Mr. Rodman conducted the prosecution, and Mr. Rodman the defence.

## WATER POLICE COURT.

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Before the Water Police Magistrate and Mr. Jones. Mrs. Stewart appeared upon summons to answer the information of Stephen Ashton, a little girl, 12 years of age, charging her with having assaulted and kicked her. The defendant was before the Court in the usual respects, and was remanded for trial. Her conduct was in other respects very violent. The case being proved, defendant was ordered to keep the peace towards her. Her master's subjects for six months: self in £20 and two sureties in £10 each, in default to be committed until the next Quarter Sessions. Costs, 4s.

Two drunkards paid the fine of 20s.; one forfeited 20s., and the other, who was, in addition charged with wilful destruction of property, was also fined 20s.

Charles Alton, the Jaspar, Edwards, of the Chisholm and Trowshall of the Caroline Chisholm, appeared in court, after having neglected to keep a watch on board their respective vessels against them by Mr. W. A. Douglas, Inspector of the Water Police, charging them with having neglected to keep a watch on board their respective vessels between the hours of sunset and sunrise. They were each fined 10s., with 4s. costs.

Miss Pattison appeared upon summons to answer the information of Mr. James Froude Flashman, charging her with having neglected to give up possession of a house—house—house—house—house—house, numbered 15, Pitt-street, after having given notice to quit and demand of possession from him, as the agent of Mr. William Soper, the owner of the property. Mr. Smith appeared for complainant; Mr. Nichols for defendant.

It appeared that the house was formerly occupied by the proprietor himself, who, on leaving Sydney, left it unoccupied and in the charge of his father, Mr. Soper, senior, as his agent: in that capacity his father acted through the year 1854, and in the early part of 1854 he left Sydney, and in his stead Mr. F. J. Soper was appointed his agent. In 1853 the proprietor had some conversation with Mr. Pattison, in reference to quitting the house, merely because he wanted possession; and in consequence of her refusal to leave, a notice to quit was served on her, signed by Mr. Soper, senior, as the agent of the proprietor. No document or agreement was produced, although it was the opinion of the proprietor, who appeared as a witness, that such a document had been drawn up by his father as his agent. After some time had passed, Mr. Soper, senior, in 1854 had been served, on the 31st December, 1853.

The attention of wheelwrights, machine-builders, timber merchants, parties in want of a good business yard, and others, is directed to the unreserved sale, this day, by Bowden and Threlkeld, at the Phillip-street Saw Mills, of the engines and blacksmith's tools, machinery, wheelwright's timber, unexpired lease of yard, &c., &c.—*Advt.*

We are requested by Mr. Salomon to remind purchasers that the sale of that splendid property, Wanstead House and Grounds, together with the delightfully situated building allotments at Cook's River, takes place this day on the grounds, and that

omnibus will start from the rooms at 10 o'clock.—*Advt.*

We are requested to direct particular attention to Cohen and Harbottle's extensive sale this day, at the stores of Messrs. J. C. Cohen and Sons, the whole of which will be sold to close accounts; for particulars see advertisement. Also, at the Bank Auction Rooms, damaged iron, chairs, and household effects. Sales at 10 o'clock precisely. The baking implements will be disposed of, on grounds taken by Mr. Nichols.

THE AUSTRALIAN CLUB.—We understand that His Excellency Sir Charles Fitz Roy was entertained at dinner, on Thursday, the 18th instant, by the members of the club, who were present, comprising many of the most wealthy, intelligent, and influential members of our society. This being of the nature of a private dinner the gentlemen of the Press were not present; but from some members of the club we have learned that the guest of the evening was received with the warmest marks of esteem and respect, and his health was proposed and drunk in the most flattering and enthusiastic manner. In returning thanks His Excellency spoke with the ease and apparent frankness which they who have had the privilege of his intimate acquaintance are accustomed to him; and in proposing the health of the Governor General, Sir William Denison, who honoured the club with his presence on the occasion, his remarks, we are told, were uttered in a manly spirit, and with the kindest feelings towards his successor; breathing at the same time the most anxious desire for the continued prosperity of that colony which had been so long confided to his care.

FORGE AND ENGINE WORK.—Mr. Norrie exhibited a series of beautiful dissolving views last night at the Polytechnic. They were appropriate to the principal and most interesting coast scenery of Great Britain, and elicited repeated marks of approval from a very select and numerous company of visitors. The entertainments are occasionally varied by giving concerts.

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All articles intended for either sales should arrive at the Bazaar, accompaniment with instructions, one day previous, in order to be properly dressed, tried, and shown.

The following articles of saddle, rigs, carriages, and other vehicles intended for successive sale, for which there is ample room under cover.

The private livery stables (newly created) adjoining the Castle-street entrance, and are wholly distinct from the sale stables.

## Single and Double-barrel Gun

COHEN and CO. will sell by auction, THIS DAY, the 23rd instant, at their Rooms, 199, George-street, at 11 o'clock prompt, 4 cases, ditto, ditto, Terms at sale.

## Fifteen Packages of Superior Goods.

Just landed, ex Prince of Wales.

## 625\* For Positive and Unreserved Sale.

Looking Glasses in Rosewood Frames

## Plated Goods

Musical Boxes

## Assorted Small Pictures

Brass Pillar Candelabra

## Black Cravats

Gloves

## Germans Silver Watches

Assorted Jewellery, &amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

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## Diamond

21-1 case, containing 36 superior 8, 4, and 4 air musical boxes

## German silver boxes

5 boxes, ditto, ditto, Terms at sale.

## 3 ditto gift alabars with keys

25-25 2 cases chaise lamps

## 21-1 case, containing 35 single barrel guns

26-1 case, containing 30 double barrel guns

## 27-1 case, containing 12 double brass pillar candlesticks, 8, 9, and 10 inch

28-1 case, containing 12 small brass plated crusts, 4, 5, 6, and 7 holes, cut hot

29-1 case, containing 25 small electro-plate, crusts, 4, 5, 6, and 7 holes, cut hot

## 30-1 rosewood chimney glasses

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